

# COMMUNIST PARTY IS RENEWING ACTIVITIES

**THE WEATHER.**  
Increasing cloudiness with snow or rain in south portion tonight and Saturday and probably snow in north portion Saturday slightly warmer tonight.

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## PAMPHLETS CIRCULATED AT HARBOR

Atty. General Palmer Tells Of Boldness and Defiance Of Reds.

(BULLETIN.)  
Citizens of Indiana Harbor and East Chicago awoke this morning to find a number of little pamphlets sticking under their doors and in their mail boxes, which had been delivered some time during the early morning hours by a midnight mail carrier.

The pamphlets which bear the name of the Communist Party of America, urge the citizens to get busy and adopt the soviet form of government.

(BULLETIN.)  
Circulars advocating overthrow of the government by the Communist Party and inciting workers to seize the industries were also circulated in Gary during Thursday morning before six o'clock.

BY J. BAILEY CAMPBELL.  
(STAFF CORRESPONDENT I. N. SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The "Communist Party" is renewing its activities throughout the United States, and is threatening to become as active again as it was before the department of justice sought to stamp it out. Attorney-General A. Mitchell Palmer declared today.

Palmer resumed his defense of the department of justice and its bureau of investigation in conducting "Red raids" when he reappeared before the senate judiciary committee which is considering the question of amnesty for Eugene V. Debs and others convicted of violations of the espionage and other war-time acts.

"The chief object of the Communist Party now as it was when the department of justice proceeded against it is the destruction of the United States government, and the

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## HAMMOND SAVINGS & TRUST CO. EXPANDING, GETS GRILL

### LEASE IS SIGNED UP YESTERDAY

Banks Resources Today Are Over \$750,000, 50% Jump.

owing to its rapid and substantial growth since securing the location in the Hammond building, the Hammond Savings & Trust Co. has been compelled to prepare for future expansion by securing additional space.

Within the past few days a lease for the Hammond Realty company has been negotiated and signed giving the quarters now occupied by the Hammond Building Grill to the Trust company.

The terms of the new lease coincide with those of the first one and assure a long period of time to come. A period of time that is expected to witness the building up of the Central school property into the finest business section of Hammond.

It was the forecast of the officers of the bank, in the first place, that would the trend southward on Hammond street, and even in the period of less than two years this trend has become unmistakable as to make it necessary for the bank to fortify itself for a prosperous future.

#### PLANS BEING WORKED OUT

The plans for the utilization of the new space have not yet been worked out but are said to include moving the directors' room from the front of the bank to the new quarters and also providing more space for book keepers, who are now working in cramped quarters behind the cages. The present directors' room will be utilized for the desks of the officers of the bank.

The firm of Woods, Martin & Co., which has its real estate offices in the main banking room has also outgrown its quarters. This firm last year did in excess of a million dollars of business in a space 12x12 in size. The prospects for the coming year are such that more space is urgently needed by the real estate company.

There is no immediate prospect that the bank will take possession of its additional space as the lease of the present tenant will not expire for some months to come, but the bank officials are contemplating themselves on having secured the lease. When the Hammond Trust & Savings Bank moved to its present quarters the total resources were in the neighborhood of \$150,000. Today they are over \$750,000, an increase of 50 per cent in a year and eight months.

### MURDER MYSTERY UNCOVERED

NEWCASTLE, Pa., Feb. 18.—(AP) T. White by today being held in the county jail at Beaver, Pa., while authorities here link together the strands of evidence tending to show him the murderer of his wife, Mrs. Sallie White, aged 42, missing since December 23, and whose body was found under a hay pile on a farm here last night.

An autopsy on the body of the woman this morning showed that she had been brutally beaten, choked and choked to death.

As soon as the remains of the missing woman were found, the county authorities, fearing possible violence, spirited White away in an automobile, feeling very high for a time but when it became known that White was gone the excitement died down.

While search has been made for some time to find Mrs. White, the husband maintained that she was alive. In January he was said to have told the police that he gave his wife \$1000 to go to Chicago for a year while he got a divorce. He is alleged to have married Mrs. Mamie Longstreet, a widow in Pittsburgh, the day prior to his wife's disappearance.

On his way to Beaver, he is said to have talked with the officers but never reached upon the circumstances surrounding the killing of his wife.

A charge of murder is expected to be lodged against White today by the Coroner's jury.

### POWER PLANT IS WRECKED

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
RACINE, Wis., Feb. 18.—The plant of the Wisconsin Gas & Electric company was almost totally wrecked, nearby buildings were badly damaged and the gas supply of Racine, Kenosha, Chasby and South Milwaukee was cut off by an explosion of accumulated gas in the meter room of the company early today. A leading main is believed to have been responsible.

### DEATH OF BABY

Russell K., the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Freyer, 229 Detroit street, was buried yesterday afternoon from the family residence. The babe was ill for 10 days with pneumonia and died last Tuesday morning.

### EX-CHAIRMAN OF DEM. COMMITTEE IS CRITICALLY ILL



William McCombs.

William McCombs, former chairman of the Democratic national committee, is seriously ill at the home of his sister on Long Island. A cold contracted at the national convention last July was a contributory cause of his illness.

### Rat Steals Merchants Profits

Needy Mother Cops Harbor Man's Bills for Her Children's Bed

Another new form of a robber has been located at Indiana Harbor, whose sickness and presence of mind would do credit to many a human.

During the past few days the proprietors of a soft drink parlor at 2412 Beach street, have been missing small sums of money, all of which has been in paper currency.

The clerk came two days ago, when one of the proprietors placed 10c in a small box underneath a counter. In a few hours time he had occasion to go to the box to get some change for a customer, but alas, when he opened the lid of the box the money had vanished.

A thorough search of the premises failed to reveal the whereabouts of the stolen treasure. Officer Gersgesha who happened to stroll into the establishment, was informed of the robbery.

With a quickness he still give in the Harbor (Gersgesha himself) resumed the search. After spending several hours in trawling through the basement he been sent led him to dash his light in the direction of the floor boarding. There cuddled up and full of life lay 12 small children, sons and daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Rat.

The search has ended as all of the money was located, formed in what might be called a bed. Officer Gersgesha has not given up the search for the mother rat, who committed the robbery and swears that when he locates the culprit he will give her some real change, with no strings attached to it, for her thoughtfulness in saving for her children.

### PLENTY OF HOOTCH BUT NO LICENSE

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)  
WHITING, Ind., Feb. 18.—Seman Oxtar, 4222 Draymond street, Indiana Harbor, and his wife, took a trip here yesterday with three friends and a five gallon jug of hootch. Oxtar left his car standing in White Oak avenue without a license or he might not have been arrested. Officer Parker, who had been on duty, detected the omission and began to investigate. He found the boys and looked around for the car owner. Seman had in the meantime smelled a mouse and returned to Indiana Harbor. His wife and her friends were federal agents. In the party were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tomack and Steve Smerous. All were put under bond. Seman was apprehended at the Harbor with his still.

### CARUSO IS A LITTLE BETTER

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The condition of Enrico Caruso, the famous Italian tenor, who is critically ill in his apartment at the Hotel Vanderbilt, continues favorable, it was announced early today.

"Mr. Caruso is holding the improvement that she showed yesterday," Dr. S. F. J. Murray, house physician at the Vanderbilt, said shortly before 9 o'clock.

Earlier in the morning, Bruno Zinato, the singer's secretary, had informed newspapermen that the patient was feeling comfortably and continued to show the improvement that marked his condition yesterday. Zinato stated that while Caruso is still in a critical condition, strong hopes are held for his recovery.

### Cable Nuggets

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The first "woman rider" has just been employed by a slaughter house near London. She is Miss Violet Wood and she shoots the doomed animals in the head instead of using the old-fashioned pole axe.

SYDNEY, Feb. 18.—The new South Wales government has decided to establish a dance hall in connection with parliament house.

GENEVA, Feb. 18.—Prince Alexis Lobanoff of Russia, close personal friend of the late Czar, is dead here. The doctors said he died of a broken heart from brooding over Russia's troubles.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—There are more than 200 women's golf organizations in England with a membership of 1,000,000, according to the Daily Express today.

### CROWN POINT HAS ITS FIRST WOMAN JURY

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)

CROWN POINT, Ind., Feb. 18.—The first woman jury in the Lake county courts is sitting today in the juvenile court presided over by Judge Norton. The defendant, a woman, charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor child, is being defended by Attorney Thad Fancher while Prosecutor Dwight Kinler is looking after the state's interests.

The jury impaneled to: Mrs. A. L. Courtwright, Mrs. Della Hunk, Mrs. Wm. Heintz, Mrs. Wm. Black, Mrs. Otto Bros, Mrs. Clem. Henshaw, Mrs. W. L. Allman, Mrs. Dan Hoffman, Miss Gwendoline Parry, Mrs. Otto Fiffeld, Mrs. A. A. Bisher, Mrs. Milton Fisher, Mrs. H. H. Wheeler and Mrs. J. A. Donahue.

### TWO YOUNG GIRLS TRADE THEIR LIVES

Strange Story of Love Comes From Denver, Colorado

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
DENVER, Colo., Feb. 18.—A strange tale of love that involves the "trading of lives" by two young girls, and the arrest of Lawrence Kelly on a charge of passing worthless checks to secure funds to support his sweetheart, was revealed here today in the confession of "Mildred Gardner" after she has been converted to the Christian faith in the mission of City Chaplain "Jim" Goodheart.

Kelly and "Mildred Gardner" were married by Goodheart in the city jail here Monday and Kelly was released only to be re-arrested by Boulder officers on similar charges. He is now in jail in Boulder.

In her confession the four day bride who is only 17, says she is not Mildred Gardner, whom Kelly believed he was marrying. But her "double" Dolly Green, a New York girl with whom the real Mildred Gardner "traded lives" last November.

According to the confession, Dolly Green, the real Mildred Gardner, is now in San Francisco, employed by a theatre magazine.

Mrs. Green swears her love for Kelly and declares that Miss Gardner does not love him.

"My name is Dolly Green," she confessed. "My home is in Akron, Ohio. I met Mildred Gardner in Dallas, Tex., and we looked so much alike that we decided to change names, sweethearts, jobs—in fact, lives. We were tired of the lives we were living."

"Mildred wrote out her life story for me and I wrote mine for her also. I told her about my people and she told me about her and how to act."

Chaplain Goodheart declares the girl seemed to be absolutely sincere in her confession. But says the marriage is illegal. If Kelly accepts his new bride, they must be remarried, he says.

### AN ECHO OF THE LATE WAR

APPLETON, Wis., Feb. 18.—A lady in the district court here today refused to give John Demel, a farmer, the \$25,000 damages he sought from Stephen and John Ballin, Dr. A. E. Rector and Dr. D. J. O'Connor alleged "night riders."

Demel accused the four, who are prominent citizens here, of visiting his home during the fourth winter loan drive and attempting to force him to buy bonds by beating him and later attempting to hang him. The defendants pleaded self-defense.

### HOW WHISKEY MAY BE TRANSPORTED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Whiskey now held in storage may be transported by the owners to their private dwellings under new regulations issued by the internal revenue bureau today. The rules are made to conform to a recent supreme court decision, holding that liquor can be removed and transported if the bottles were legally acquired before prohibition went into effect.

### Business Picking Up For Mays

"Miracle Man" Is Kept Busy in West Hammond Treating Patients

Gradually, as the story of his work is spread by persons whom he has treated, the crowds visiting the rooms of Harry Mays, the "Miracle Man" of New Carlisle in West Hammond, have increased.

Mays is being kept busy treating patients. Some of them come in big automobiles and others hobble to the house on crutches. All leave declaring they have been benefited.

The healer makes no attempt at diagnosing ailments. They all look alike to him. The patient simply indicates to him what he believes to be the seat of his trouble and Mays lays his hands over the spot, bows his head in silent prayer for a couple of minutes and the treatment is over. During the treatment a man whom he calls his manager stands at his side and watches everything.

This precaution is taken because having a witness present saved the day for Mays when he was prosecuted recently for practicing medicine at Chicago. The witness was able to testify that the healer did not "rub" or "manipulate" in the instance cited and therefore did not violate the Illinois statutes protecting the practice of medicine.

Mays believes that the power which demonstrates itself through his healing hands, was also looking out for his interest in the prosecution. He says he was walking down the street after the suit was filed when suddenly a "voice" said: "I'll be all right." "I looked around," says Mays, "and there was nobody near me. I got to thinking about it and decided that the voice referred to the trial that was to come up soon. Then I was told again that I would come through all right. I knew then what to expect and sure enough the case fell flat. There are no laws that can interfere with the work of God Almighty."

While he is highly religious, Mays is not a fanatic. He is a man of a hearty infectious laugh and a hand grip like a vice. He is short and stocky with an uncontrollable mop of hair and comes a long way from resembling the aged white haired type which is usually associated with the idea of "hand healers" and "miracle men."

### LONE BANDIT ROBS BANK

STUBENVILLE, O., Feb. 18.—A lone bandit entered the miners' Merchants bank at Southfield, near here, at 12:45 this afternoon, covered A. O. Reese and H. T. Smith, tellers, forced them into a vault, locked the vault and escaped with cash estimated between \$4,000 and \$5,000. An hour later the two tellers were found in the vault by other bank attaches. The man disappeared and no trace of him can be found.

### HEY, FELLAS, GIRLS ARE FOOLING YOU WITH SILK HOSE

Christopher C. Carter, colored mail carrier of Gary, who was found guilty Wednesday night when tried by a jury country jury for the murder of his brother-in-law, James Cook, editor of the Defender and Sun, this morning filed suit for divorce from his wife, Zephora Carter.

The complaint was filed in the Hammond Superior court by Attorneys Joe Conroy and W. J. McAlister who defended him in the murder trial.

Carter says that he and Zephora were married April 21, 1920 and separated on February 14, of this year. During that time he says she repeatedly accused him of infidelity and breaches of the marriage vow.

The wife was instrumental in having him indicted for murder, he alleges and as a result he was forced to live in jail without bail for three months at Crown Point and two months at Valparaiso. At the murder trial she testified against him and did everything in her power to have him electrocuted.

Carter says his life was abandoned him several times and at present refuses to live with him.

### REPUBLICAN LEADERS MARKING TIME

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Republican leaders of congress are marking time today pending the return of Representative Joseph W. Fordney, republican of Michigan, chairman of the house ways and means committee, his conference with President-elect Harding at St. Augustine.

Tentative plans for revision of the tariff and tax laws by the next congress are being held in abeyance until Fordney has reported Mr. Harding's views as to what should be done regarding them.

### APPROVE BILL FOR BUDGET

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 17.—Establishment of a state budget system as recommended by Gov. McCray was approved today by the state senate in passing by a vote of 40 to 9 the House bill, which provides for the preparation of a budget bill by the chief examiner of the state board of accounts to be presented at each session of the legislature by the governor. The budget system would replace the present plan of presenting appropriation bills.

### NOTICE

Will the party who sent a letter to Chief Asst. Gen. at Central station today, please call in person to see the chief.

### B-rrr! Cold Is Coming

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The weather bureau issued a special bulletin today predicting that the coldest weather of the winter will be experienced east of the Rocky Mountains during the next week.

"The cold weather will extend southward over the Gulf and south Atlantic states, carrying freezing temperatures to the coast the first part of the coming week," the bulletin states.

### CARPENTERS COUNCIL FACES FINE

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—The Carpenters District Council, parent organization of all Chicago's carpenter labor unions, today is facing a heavy fine for violating an injunction issued in 1915 forbidding coercive measures.

In addition, William Brims, president of the council and Thomas E. Church, business agent, have been recommended for jail sentences by Master in Chancery William A. Rust. Brims was one of the 47 mill labor union officials and contractors indicted several weeks ago by a federal grand jury on charges of violating the anti-trust section of the Sherman act law reducing building here to a minimum by boycotting goods not manufactured here.

### CARTER SEEKS NOW TO DIVORCE WIFE

Cleared of Murder, Colored Editor, Wants to Be Free From Wife

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### E. CHICAGO LADS AFTER SILVER CUP

Newboys of East Chicago will be on their toes tomorrow trying to sell one or more newspapers to every person living there of who ventures within the city limits. A Chicago newspaper has offered a silver cup as a trophy to the boy who sells the most papers during the day.

The contest is open to all newspapers and it doesn't matter what paper they sell, whether it be The Times, the Chicago papers or the foreign language papers. All of the boys have been notified of the contest and are eagerly awaiting the word "go." Some lively scrambles for business are expected on the streets.

### Puzzled Physicians by Talking for 212 Hours



Physicians were puzzled by the strange case of Marian Rubin, eight years old, of Waukegan, Ill., who talked continuously for 212 hours. Doctors tended to stop the child's monologue but did not stop her efforts at speech. After a consultation of specialists it was found that the vertebrae were slightly misplaced so that there was pressure on the nerve controlling speech. Manipulation of the child's spine finally induced sleep for an hour but when she awoke she began to talk again. Continuation of the manipulation treatment has tended to relieve the trouble and it is believed that a cure will be effected.

### Deluded Bootlegger Was Fooled

Thought He Was Selling to Grocer—But He Proved To Be a Cop

CROWN POINT, Ind., Feb. 18.—Julius Pincus of Gary, one of the stiffest sentences for violating the liquor law that has ever been given in the criminal court on Thursday being fined \$300 and 60 days in jail. Pincus tried to dispose of a gallon of grain alcohol to grocer Hoffman, living at 2412 Beach avenue and Employment street, Gary, the early part of December. Hoffman posited being a grocer was a special police officer and he immediately placed Pincus under arrest and a charge was filed against him in the criminal court. The case was tried before a jury who decided that the whole sale dispenser of beer goods must needs be taught to obey the law.

### CAR LIFTED FROM SHIP CANAL, STOLEN

After many hours of weary toil the Hammond police and the wrecking crew from the Hammond Auto Paint & Top Co. late yesterday afternoon succeeded in bringing to land the automobile that had been seen in the water of the ship canal along the concrete retaining wall on Calumet boulevard.

No bodies were found in the car and it is now believed that it was driven into the deep water by auto thieves who were working out of Chicago.

The machine was an old Ford-Nash sedan, 1918 model, had settled in the mud of the canal bed, making it extremely difficult to bring it to the surface. Records at the police station were searched and it was learned that the car belonged to Jacob Schwartz, of 2522 West Sixteenth st., Chicago. It was stolen the night of February 24th when it was left standing at Wabash and Congress streets.

Salvaging the car brought forcibly to the attention of Hammond people the fact that the city has no adequate equipment for rescuing cars which go into deep water along the Lake George drive. Numerous accidents have occurred on this stretch of roadway and many lives have been lost. In every instance, where occupants of cars have been pinned beneath the machines in the water it has taken hours before the bodies could be recovered. Many believe that the city should maintain a substantial wrecking car equipped with a derrick as part of the police department. This, they say should be housed along Calumet blvd., near the lake where it would be used most.

Immediately following each serious accident there has been agitation for a bill of some other form of protection along the roadway but each time the matter has died down after the city authorities and county commissioners have disagreed as to who should bear the expense.

### HOLIDAY IN DISTRICT OF C.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Inauguration day, Friday, March 4, is declared a legal holiday in the District of Columbia, and all per diem employees and other day laborers in the federal service, are excused from work in an executive order by President Wilson made public today.

### LANDIS CASE UP TUESDAY

(WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The impeachment charges against Judge K. M. Landis will be taken up for investigation next Tuesday by the house judiciary committee. Chairman Volstead today sent notice to all members to be present as prompt action is desired.

### BILLS FIXING TAX LEVIES POSTPONED

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 18.—Four proposals for the state to extend financial aid to privately owned educational institutions were turned down today by the House of Representatives by the adoption of majority reports of the ways and means committee for indefinite postponement of bills fixing tax levies for this purpose—minority reports recommending that the bills be referred to the committee of the whole house for further consideration, were submitted by Representative Otto Fiffeld (Lake), chairman of the committee and republican floor leader.

The bill killed, provided for: (1) One mill levy on each \$100 of taxable property for Valparaiso and providing free tuition for pupils enrolled in college of education if they agree to teach school for at least two years after graduation. (2) One mill for support of tri-state college at Angola for Industrial Education and Americanization. (3) One mill levy for Central Normal School at Danville. (4) Appropriation of \$100,000 to be extended to normal and other teachers' training schools.

Only native born or naturalized citizens may teach in the public schools, according to the terms of the Miller bill, passed in the Senate by a vote of 35 to 1. The bill was drawn up by officials of the Grand Army of the Republic and was approved by the American Legion. It stipulates that the American flag be displayed in every classroom and that the State Highway Commission be declared by Senator Strode and Senator Crayens (dem.) When a bill to grant this privilege came up in the senate for the third reading, it was explained that the department needed ready money to pay for labor on state parks.

The senate passed the bill by a vote of 35 to 18 today. The amount to be drawn to \$1500 a month. The highway body use of such funds was said to have caused the sensational charges just made by the state board of accounts.

The governor today signed the Kanabake River Drainage bill.

### SERIOUS DISORDERS IN GERMANY?

PARIS, Feb. 18.—Serious disorders have occurred in Berlin, according to a Marence dispatch printed in the Matin this morning.

The dispatch stated the telephone and telegraph communication between Marence and Berlin is working badly. All communications from Germany are declared to be subject to censorship.

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